GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
LAW AND JUSTICE
LOK SABHA

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CHANGES IN CRIMINAL LAW
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Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Law Commission has suggested far-reaching changes in criminal laws to maintain law and order;

(b) if so, the salient features of suggestions made by the Law Commission;

(c) the details of recommendations accepted by the Government; and

(d) the time by which all these suggestions are likely to be accepted by the Government?

Answer

MINISTER OF LAW & JUSTICE AND COMMERCE & INDUSTRY (SHRI ARUN JAITLEY)

(a) & (b): The Law Commission`s 156th Report titled `the Indian Penal Code` and 177th Report titled `Law Relating to Arrest` have already been laid on the table of the House on 08-06-1998 and 21.11.2002 respectively.

(c) & (d) The Ministry of Home Affairs has informed that the State Governments and Union territory Administrations have been requested for their views/comments on the recommendations of the Law Commission, as `criminal law` and `criminal procedure` are in the Concurrent List of the Seventh Schedule of the Constitution. It is not possible to indicate any time-frame.